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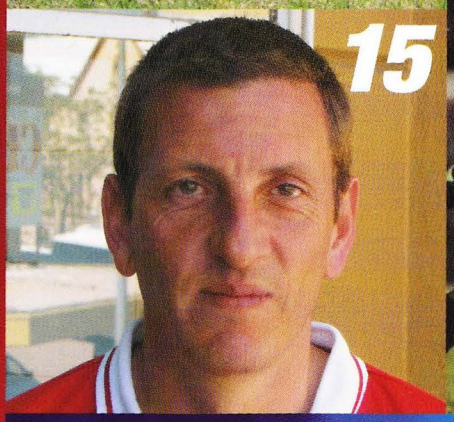

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From the Club

A warm welcome to EnergyAustralia Stadium for the start of the 2002/2003 National Soccer League competition. We at United are confident of building on our top two finish of last year as we strive for success on behalf of The City of Newcastle and the Hunter Region.

We formally welcome to United the club's new apparel sponsor Mitre Sports Pty Ltd and advertising agency Enigma as we look forward to a long and successful partnership. To your Station 2HD, Soul Patterson Telecommunications, The Newcastle Herald, Carlton and United Breweries, James Estate Wines, Coca Cola Amatil and Kloster Nissan great to have you all on board for the new season.

To Head Coach Ian Crook, Youth Team Coach David Lowe, all the playing and support staff, congratulations on the pre season form and our best wishes for the competition rounds ahead.

Our new Mitre supporters gear should be arriving very soon with some great new supporter's merchandise, until then the Newcastle United Supporters Store has some great items on sale, so be sure to check out the bargains between 9.30am - 4.30pm Monday to Friday at The Store, Hunter Street, Newcastle West.

Newcastle United will be unveiling a brand new website very soon, so to keep an eye on all Newcastle United latest news, reviews, fixtures and great pictures at www.newcastleunited.com.au.

On Sunday our Super Youth League teams in Under 13', 15's and 17's contest the grand finals at Christie Park in Sydney and our very best wishes go with them down the F3 as they endeavour to become the 2002 champions in their respective age groups, congratulations also go to our Under 14's for their efforts during the season ensuring Newcastle United secured it's first ever Club Championship.

Enjoy tonight's entertainment and we look forward to your company on Friday 4 October 2002 when United clash with Northern Spirit.

Jock Graham
General Manager

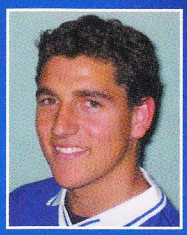
Con Constantine
Chairman

Newcastle United v Perth Glory
26 April 2002

Newcastle United v Olympic Sharks
5 May 2002

Player Profiles

1 • Daniel BELTRAME
Position: Goalkeeper
Born: 28.12.75
TOTAL NSL: 43 games (0 goals)
Best Advice: Head down, bum up.



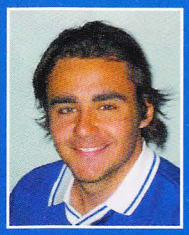
2 • Michael PRENTICE
Position: Defender
Born: 22.9.82
TOTAL NSL: 11 games (0 goals)
Best Advice: Enjoy Life.

3 • Andy ROBERTS
Position: Defender
Born: 28.3.70
TOTAL NSL: 237 games (4 goals)
Best Advice: Never give up.

4 • Chris ZORICICH (NZ)
Position: Defender
Born: 3.5.69
TOTAL NSL: 161 games (8 goals)
Best Advice: Don't drink with Milan Blagojevic.

5 • Scott THOMAS
Position: Midfielder
Born: 19.8.74
TOTAL NSL: 161 games (7 goals)
Best Advice: Enjoy playing and play with passion.

6 • Matthew BINGLEY
Position: Defender
Born: 16.8.71
TOTAL NSL: 276 games (43 goals)
Best Advice: Don't be afraid to make mistakes.



7 • Travis DODD
Position: Midfielder
Born: 6.1.80
TOTAL NSL: 123 games (4 goals)
Best Advice: Do plenty of work in the off season.

8 • Mark WILSON
Position: Midfielder
Born: 4.7.74
TOTAL NSL: 148 games (10 goals)
Best Advice: Always work on your game.

9 • Joel GRIFFITHS
Position: Striker
Born: 21.8.79
TOTAL NSL: 103 games (33 goals)
Best Advice: Shoot!

10 • Alex MOREIRA (BRA)
Position: Striker
Born: 2.8.74
TOTAL NSL: 110 games (42 goals)
Best Advice: Always believe in yourself.

11 • Peter TSEKENIS
Position: Midfielder
Born: 4.8.73
TOTAL NSL: 213 games (9 goals)
Best Advice: Work hard and never give up.

12 • Scott BAILLIE
Position: Defender
Born: 11.3.70
TOTAL NSL: 179 games (12 goals)
Best Advice: Be nice to your mum.

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13 • Milan BLAGOJEVIC
Position: Midfielder
Born: 24.12.69
TOTAL NSL: 223 games (5 goals)
Best Advice: Do everything right the first time so you don't have to do it again.

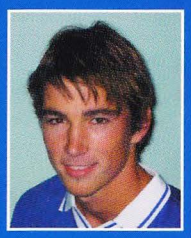
14 • Ryan GRIFFITHS
Position: Striker
Born: 21.8.81
TOTAL NSL: 41 games (6 goals)
Best Advice: Average is not good enough.

15 • Adam HUGHES
Position: Midfielder
Born: 14.7.82
TOTAL NSL: 1 game (0 goals)
Best Advice: Always do a little extra.

16 • Joseph SCHIRRIPA
Position: Midfielder
Born: 9.10.82
TOTAL NSL: 23 games (1 goal)
Best Advice: Must enjoy something before you become good at it.

17 • Esala MASI (FIJI)
Position: Striker
Born: 9.3.74
TOTAL NSL: 152 games (34 goals)
Best Advice: Work hard and listen to your coach.

18 • Mitchell JOHNSON
Position: Midfielder
Born: 26.2.83
TOTAL NSL: 16 games (1 goal)
Best Advice: Work hard and listen.



19 • Adam GRIFFITHS
Position: Midfielder
Born: 21.8.79
TOTAL NSL: 28 games (2 goals)
Best Advice: Shoot, score. Don't shoot, don't score.

20 • Tom WILLIS
Position: Goalkeeper
Born: 4.11.83
TOTAL NSL: 0 games (0 goals)
Best Advice: When in doubt go long.

21 • Keegan WOLFENDEN
Position: Defender
Born: 4.4.86
TOTAL NSL: 0 games (0 goals)
Best Advice: Go hard at whatever you do in life.

22 • Robbie MIDDLEBY
Position: Midfielder
Born: 9.8.75
TOTAL NSL: 109 games (8 goals)
Best Advice: Don't be afraid to try things.

23 • Jobe WHEELHOUSE
Position: Midfielder
Born: 14.4.85
TOTAL NSL: 0 games (0 goals)
Best Advice: Play hard but fair.

24 • Steve EAGLETON
Position: Midfielder
Born: 26.10.76
TOTAL NSL: 75 games (3 goals)
Best Advice: Be confident in your own ability.

Chris ZORICICH

United Focus

Chris Zoricich (or Zorro as he's affectionately known), has had a roller coaster of an off season. In his home country of New Zealand, Zorro Captained his National side to a win over Australia for a place in the next Confederations Cup, but not long after that, underwent groin surgery and is on his way back to a full recovery, leaving him a little bit behind his teammates in preseason training. We took an opportunity to get Zorro's thoughts on his off season, his career and the year ahead.

How have you been going Zorro?

Good thanks! It's good to be here at the start of another season.

You had a pretty good off-season including a win over Australia.

It was a good time for me obviously, not so good for Australia but it was a fantastic experience.

A lot of people said New Zealand's success came from a good preparation, is that the case?

It's the first time in a number of years we had a good preparation. Normally we're like the Aussies, we come together about a week before the tournament and that's our preparation, so that had a lot to do with it. We went to China for about 10 days and played a couple of games over there, and then basically we were in camp for a month. It was one of our better preparations and I also thought we had a good side.

Do you rate it in your career highlights?

Certainly going to the Confederations Cup in 1999 was up there, and obviously being Captain is a personal highlight as well, but it's a good feeling knowing I can go to another Confederations Cup.

What are some of your other career highlights?

Scoring with a free kick against the USA at the 99 Confederations Cup, that was pretty good. But being named Captain is the pinnacle.

You spent a bit of time over in England with Chelsea in 1997 as well, how was that?

That was fantastic. I was trialling there for about 2 1/2 months at Chelsea when Ruud Gullit was manager at the time. I ended up playing about 9 reserve games for them.

Do you still keep in touch with any of the boys over there?

Well I was in the UK before that with Leyton Orient for about 4 years and so a lot of my best friends are still over there and I keep in touch with them, but not so much Chelsea.

What about the guys here in Newcastle, they seem to be a pretty close squad?

Yes, definitely, we had it here last year and that's what got us through a majority of our games actually. When the going gets tough you want to pull for the guy next to you, and we have got a bunch of great lads and I think we'll go well.

Who are the teams to watch in this year's NSL?

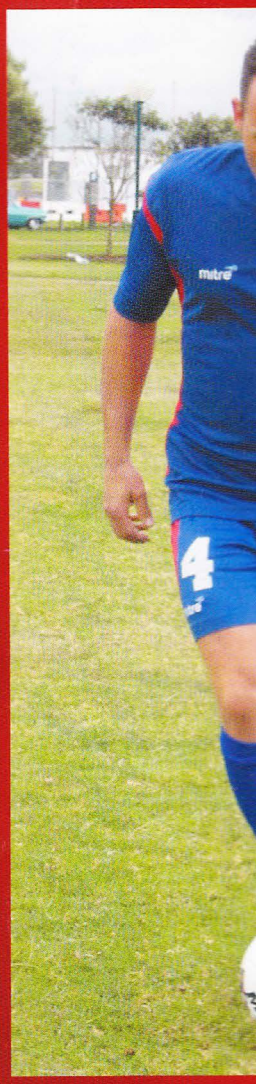
Perth will probably be up there again. It is very difficult with a lot of the teams struggling financially you don't know who they've got in their squads. Probably look out for Parramatta, they purchased a few different players.

There is a far bit of healthy competition in our club for spots, how have the boys been coping with it?

There's plenty of competition, no doubt about it and it always keeps you on your toes knowing that there's someone there capable of filling your shoes. Competition is healthy and if all goes well it should be a good season.

You are an experienced footballer, have you found yourself in a role model role for the younger players?

As you get older you do have to have that type of image,



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but if you ask the lads I do like to muck around a little bit at training, but when it comes down to business I am always fully professional and hopefully some of the young guys might learn something from me.

What about your relationship with Crooky, how's he?
It's great. The best couple of words I can use to describe him are very laid back, and I think that relates to how we play on the pitch.

Just to finish up, give me your preferred option to the following:

Running or swimming?
None of them if I can help it, but probably swimming, only just.

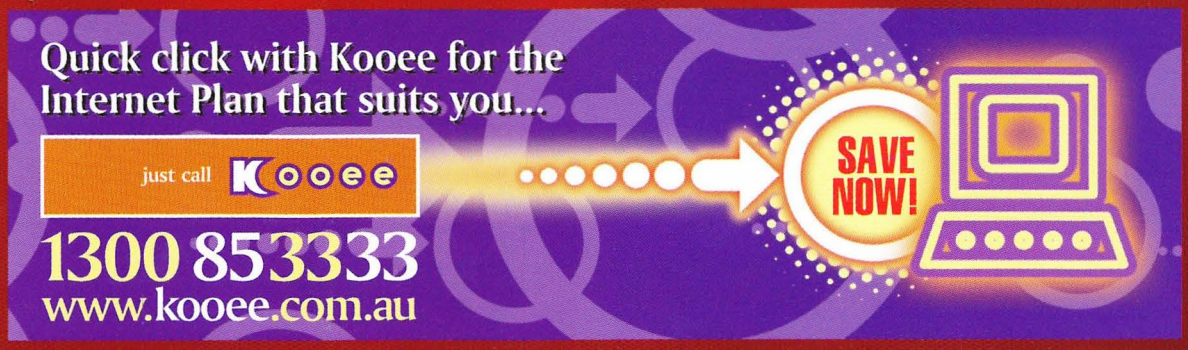
Being too hot or being too cold?
I hate being cold.

English Premier League or Italian Serie A?
Premier League.

Home cooked meal or restaurant food?
Home cooked definitely.

Strawberry or chocolate ice cream?
Vanilla!

Thanks Zoro!
Cheers.



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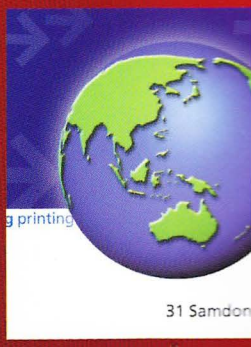

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NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE SEASON 2002/2003 DRAW

RD	DAY	DATE	MATCH	VENUE	KICK-OFF	RESULTS
1	Friday	20/09/2002	NUFC v South Melbourne	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
2	Sunday	29/09/2002	Sydney United v NUFC	Sydney United Sports Centre	3.00pm	
3	Friday	04/10/2002	NUFC v Northern Spirit	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
4	Sunday	13/10/2002	Perth Glory v NUFC	Perth Oval	4.00pm	
5	Friday	18/10/2002	NUFC v Wollongong Wolves	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
6	Saturday	26/10/2002	Olympic Sharks v NUFC	Toyota Park	7.30pm	
7	Friday	01/11/2002	NUFC v Adelaide City Force	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
8	Sunday	10/11/2002	Melbourne Knights v NUFC	Knights Stadium	6.00pm	
9	Friday	15/11/2002	NUFC v Marconi Stallions	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
10	Sunday	24/11/2002	Parramatta Power v NUFC	Parramatta Stadium	6.30pm	
11	Friday	29/11/2002	NUFC v Brisbane Strikers	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
12	Friday	06/12/2002	Kingz FC v NUFC	Ericsson Stadium	7.30pm	
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14	Friday	20/12/2002	NUFC v Sydney United	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
15	Sunday	29/12/2002	South Melbourne v NUFC	Bob Jane Stadium	6.00pm	
16	Friday	03/01/2003	Northern Spirit v NUFC	North Sydney Oval	7.30pm	
17	Friday	10/01/2003	NUFC v Perth Glory	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
18	Sunday	19/01/2003	Wollongong Wolves v NUFC	WIN Stadium	6.30pm	
19	Friday	24/01/2003	NUFC v Olympic Sharks	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
20	Friday	31/01/2003	Adelaide City Force v NUFC	Hindmarsh Stadium	8.00pm	
21	Friday	07/02/2003	NUFC v Melbourne Knights	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
22	Friday	14/02/2003	Marconi Stallions v NUFC	Marconi Stadium	7.30pm	
23	Friday	21//02/2003	NUFC v Parramatta Power	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
24	Saturday	01/03/2003	Brisbane Strikers v NUFC	Ballymore Stadium	7.00pm	
25	Friday	07/03/2003	NUFC v Kingz FC	EnergyAustralia Stadium	7.30pm	
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MATCH PREVIEW

"Newcastle United and South Melbourne matches have always proved a tight struggle, with only 1 goal at best only ever seperating both sides, and tonights match appears to be shaping up for another great battle. Both sides are chasing a win and looking to get this season off to a good start. Newcastle United have suffered a number of injury blows in the preseason to key players such as Mathew Bingley, Joe Schirripa and Michael Prentice whilst South Melbourne have the bye next round and would not want teams getting to far ahead early. Key players to watch tonight: Newcastle United - Robbie Middleby, Scott Baillie. South Melbourne - Vaughan Coveny, Paul Trimboli."

NEWCASTLE UNITED

NO	NAME	POSITION	D.O.B
1	Daniel BELTRAME	Goalkeeper	28/12/75
2	Michael PRENTICE	Defender	22/09/82
3	Andrew ROBERTS	Defender	28/03/70
4	Chris ZORICICH	Defender	3/05/69
5	Scott THOMAS	Midfield	19/08/74
6	Matthew BINGLEY	Defender	16/08/71
7	Travis DODD	Midfield	6/01/80
8	Mark WILSON	Midfield	4/07/74
9	Joel GRIFFITHS	Striker	21/08/79
10	Alex MOREIRA	Striker	2/08/74
11	Peter TSEKENIS	Midfield	4/08/73
12	Scott BAILLIE	Defender	11/03/70
13	Milan BLAGOJEVIC	Midfield	24/12/69
14	Ryan GRIFFITHS	Striker	21/08/81
15	Adam HUGHES	Midfield	14/07/82
16	Joseph SCHIRRIPA	Midfield	9/10/82
17	Esala MASI	Striker	9/03/74
18	Mitchell JOHNSON	Midfield	26/02/83
19	Adam GRIFFITHS	Midfield	21/08/79
20	Tom WILLIS	Goalkeeper	4/11/83
21	Keegan WOLFENDEN	Defender	4/04/86
22	Robbie MIDDLEBY	Midfield	9/08/75
23	Jobe WHEELHOUSE	Midfield	14/04/85
24	Steve EAGLETON	Midfield	26/10/76
	Ian CROOK	Coach	

SOUTH MELBOURNE

NO	NAME	POSITION	D.O.B
1	Dean ANASTASIADIS	Goalkeeper	6/06/70
2	Steve IOSIFIDIS	Defender	28/12/73
3	Fausto DE AMICIS	Defender	26/06/68
4	Mehmet DURAKOVIC	Defender	13/10/65
5	Robert LIPAROTI	Defender	4/02/78
6	David CLARKSON	Midfield	2/01/68
7	Steve PANOPOULOS	Midfield	23/06/75
8	Vaughan COVENY	Striker	13/12/71
9	Paul TRIMBOLI	Striker	25/02/69
10	Peter BULJAN	Striker	14/07/78
11	Zeljko SUSA	Midfield	13/07/78
12	Radomir SEKULOVSKI	Midfield	22/06/83
13	Vince LIA	Midfield	18/03/85
14	Stephen PACE	Midfield	3/06/83
15	Nick TOLIOS	Defender	10/11/81
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Sunday	05/04/01	Rd 25 (0

NEWCASTLE UNITED -

Sunday	05/05/02	Prelimina
Friday	26/04/02	Major Se

SOUTH MELBOURNE -

Sunday	28/04/02	Minor Se
Sunday	21/04/02	Eliminati

MILESTONES ROUND 1 -

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NSL FIXTURES SEASON

20/09/02	Newcastle United V
20/09/02	Marconi Stallions V
21/09/02	Parramatta Power V
21/09/02	Brisbane Strikers V
22/09/02	Melbourne Knights
22/09/02	Football Kingz V Sy
	Bye - Adelaide City

NSL FIXTURES SEASON

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28/09/02	Olympic Sharks V M
29/09/02	Adelaide City Forc
29/09/02	Sydney United V N
29/09/02	Perth Glory V Brisb
	Bye - South Melbo

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POSITION	D.O.B
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Defender	28/12/73
Defender	26/06/68
Defender	13/10/65
Defender	4/02/78
Midfield	2/01/68
Midfield	23/06/75
Striker	13/12/71
Striker	25/02/69
Striker	14/07/78
Midfield	13/07/78
Midfield	22/06/83
Midfield	18/03/85
Midfield	3/06/83
Defender	10/11/81
Midfield	9/02/84
Striker	8/01/83
Defender	24/03/81
Goalkeeper	6/12/81
Coach	

OFFICIALS

Referee	Con Diomis	
Assistant Referees	Rodney Allen	Phil Ryan
Fourth Official	James Lewis	

HEAD TO HEAD - ALL MATCHES (HOME MATCHES)

TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A
Newcastle United	4 (2)	1 (0)	2 (2)	1 (0)	1 (0)	1 (0)
South Melbourne	4 (2)	1 (1)	2 (0)	1 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)

HEAD TO HEAD - LAST TWO MATCHES

Friday	01/03/02	Rd 21 (01-02)	EnergyAustralia Stadium	Newcastle United 0	South Melbourne 0
Sunday	25/11/01	Rd 8 (01-02)	Bob Jane Stadium	Newcastle United 1 Masi 73'	South Melbourne 0

HEAD TO HEAD - BEST RESULTS

Sunday	25/11/01	Rd 8 (01-02)	Bob Jane Stadium	Newcastle United 1 Masi 73'	South Melbourne 0
Sunday	05/04/01	Rd 25 (00-01)	Bob Jane Stadium	South Melbourne 1 Anastasiadis 69'	Newcastle United 0

NEWCASTLE UNITED - LAST TWO MATCHES

Sunday	05/05/02	Preliminary Final	EnergyAustralia Stadium	Newcastle United 0	Olympic Sharks 1 Milicic 9'
Friday	26/04/02	Major Semi - 2nd Leg	EnergyAustralia Stadium	Newcastle United 2 Masi 16', 41'	Perth Glory 0

SOUTH MELBOURNE - LAST TWO MATCHES

Sunday	28/04/02	Minor Semi Final	Marconi Stadium	South Melbourne 1 Liparoti 90+'	Olympic Sharks 2 Pondeljak 9', Harris 40'
Sunday	21/04/02	Elimination Final - 2nd Leg	Ballymore Stadium	South Melbourne 2 Boutsianisi 55', Sabljak 76'	Brisbane Strikers 1 Rech 85'

MILESTONES ROUND 1 - SEASON 2001-02 - NEWCASTLE

Newcastle United (W 1-0 v Melb Knights)

"Scott Baillie, Daniel Beltrame, Matthew Bingley, Milan Blagojevic, Joel Griffiths and Robbie Middleby make their NSL debuts for club...Bingley makes 250th NSL appearance."

MILESTONES ROUND 1 - SEASON 2001-02 - S.MELBOURNE

South Melbourne (L 3-1 v Perth Glory)

"Steve Manceski and Radomir Sekulovski make their NSL debuts...Joe Bacak, Clayton Bell and Peter Buljan make their NSL debuts for the club...Vaughan Coveny scores his 50th NSL goal for the club"

NSL FIXTURES SEASON 2002-03 - ROUND 1

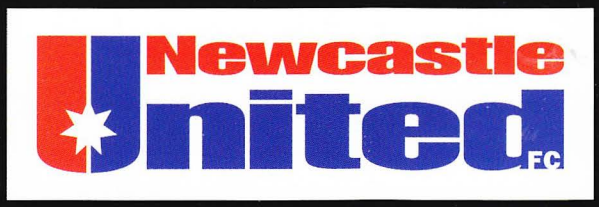
20/09/02	Newcastle United V South Melbourne	7.30pm	EnergyAustralia Stadium
20/09/02	Marconi Stallions V Wollongong Wolves	7.30pm	Marconi Stadium
21/09/02	Parramatta Power V Perth Glory	7.30pm	Parramatta Stadium
21/09/02	Brisbane Strikers V Northern Spirit	7.00pm	Ballymore Stadium
22/09/02	Melbourne Knights V Olympic Sharks	6.00pm	Knights Stadium
22/09/02	Football Kingz V Sydney United	2.30pm	Ericsson Stadium
	Bye - Adelaide City Force		

NSL FIXTURES SEASON 2002-03 - ROUND 2

27/09/02	Northern Spirit V Football Kingz	7.30pm	North Sydney Oval
27/09/02	Wollongong Wolves V Parramatta Power	7.30pm	WIN Stadium
28/09/02	Olympic Sharks V Marconi Stallions	7.30pm	Toyota Park
29/09/02	Adelaide City Force V Melbourne Knights	3.00pm	Hindmarsh Stadium
29/09/02	Sydney United V Newcastle United	3.00pm	Sydney United SC
29/09/02	Perth Glory V Brisbane Strikers	4.00pm	Perth Oval
	Bye - South Melbourne		

NSL LADDER SEASON 2002-03 FINAL STANDINGS

NO.	TEAM	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
1	Perth Glory	24	16	7	1	52	23	55
2	**Newcastle United**	**24**	**10**	**12**	**2**	**33**	**21**	**42**
3	Olympic Sharks	24	12	4	8	37	24	40
4	Brisbane Strikers	24	10	7	7	40	33	37
5	South Melbourne	24	10	6	8	30	22	36
6	Melbourne Knights	24	11	3	10	41	40	36
7	Parramatta Power	24	10	4	10	34	30	34
8	Northern Spirit	24	9	7	8	36	39	34
9	Marconi Stallions	24	8	6	10	32	36	30
10	Wollongong Wolves	24	6	7	11	28	43	25
11	Sydney United	24	6	6	12	27	37	24
12	Adelaide City Force	24	4	8	12	27	39	20
13	Football Kingz	24	3	5	16	28	58	14



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1. Describe your fondest football moment.
2. Your funniest teammate and why
3. Most frustrating thing about coaching.
4. Best advice you ca offer young player
5. One player in the world you'd love i your squad.
6. Who do you admir as a coach?

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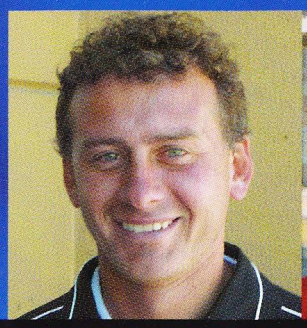
FROM THE COACHES BOX

The coaching staff is the driving force behind a team's performance but is often not in the spotlight as much as the players. This year is shaping up as one of Newcastle's best, so we thought we'd dip into the minds of the brains trust behind Newcastle United for Season 2002-2003.



	DUTCHIE	CROOKY	GOOSE
1. Describe your fondest football moment.	Probably finding out that I made the Australian Senior Squad for the first time.	Beating Bayern Munich in Munich in 1993.	Having a trial with Liverpool when I was 18 in 1978.
2. Your funniest teammate and why?	Alan Hunter, for reasons why I can't describe.	The old Republic of Ireland Captain, Andy Townsend, he's just an all round funny lad.	Alf Stamp, you just have to look at him.
3. Most frustrating thing about coaching.	That you can't actually go out there and kick the ball.	Losing.	Players not doing what you want them to do, when you want them to do.
4. Best advice you can offer young players.	Listen to your coach and train as hard as you can.	Enjoy the good times cause there's always a bad one around the corner.	Whenever you train, train at 100%.
5. One player in the world you'd love in your squad.	Patrick Vieira.	Ronaldo.	Michael Owen.
6. Who do you admire as a coach?	Arsene Wegner is somebody that is a modern day coach, so Arsene Wegner.	Arsene Wegner.	Ian Crook at the moment.

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Welcome back to EnergyAustralia Stadium to all players, coaching staff, management, sponsors and supporters for the kick off tonight of the 2002-2003 National Soccer League Season.

A special welcome to our new signings Steve Eagleton, Adam and Ryan Griffiths, Scott Thomas and Tom Willis, also our youth coach David Lowe. We all hope our injured players make a quick recovery and rejoin the squad for this season's campaign.

The winner of our end of season Framed Shirt Raffle was **Mr R Spitzkowsky** from Thornton with ticket number 1055. The Supporters Club $100 Man of the Match Award tonight is sponsored by **WYNNS AUTOMOTIVE & INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS**. We thank BOB EGAN for his support, which is greatly appreciated. This award along with the Youth Player of the Match $50 Award will be presented at the United Sports Club at Adamstown after the game so come along and join in the fun.

Our match night raffle this season will be the autographed ball complimented by a United Rug or Poncho crocheted by **Mrs Edna Taylor** and donated to the Supporters Club to help raise funds for our activities. Her son Dennis Taylor is leading our fund raising committee and along with his band of sellers will be moving around the ground selling tickets until kick off. You can also purchase your tickets at our Supporters Club Table just inside the main gate. The raffle will be drawn at half time announced over the P.A. system and on the board outside the Supporters Merchandising Shop at the ground.

Our first bus trip this season is on **Sunday 29 September 2002**. We leave from the United Sports Club, Bryant Street, Adamstown at 10am, to watch the Youth Game kick off at 12.30pm. Purchase your bus tickets tonight at the Supporters Club Table. No seats will be reserved without payment.

Our free member's only **State the Gate** competition begins again tonight, so fill in an entry at the Supporters Club Table.

If you are not a member of the Supporters Club you may consider joining. Membership is only $10 Single Membership or $15 Family Membership.

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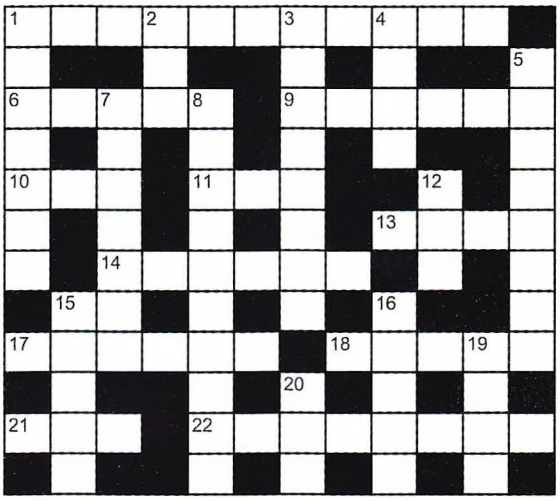

ACROSS

1. Surname of Newcastle United FC (Aus) Chairman (11)
6. Current Fijian Captain: _____ Masi (5)
9. 2001/02 NUFC (Aus) Youth Coach: _____ Jennings (6)
10. Australian TV station that's "On the Ball" (3)
11. On 12 June 1999, Alex Ferguson become one (3)
13. Number of Robbie Middleby goals in 2001/02 (4)
14. Champions League qualifiers Rosenborg's home country (6)
15. Major Cup in England (2)
17. The score after 90 mins in the World Cup Final USA '94 (3,3)
18. Senegal's World Cup Captain: Aliou _____ (5)
21. Goalkeeper Brad Friedel's home country (3)
22. Where travis Dodd started his NSL career (8)

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1. Mark Bosnich's current club (7)
2. England Derender: ___ Campbell (3)
3. Jay Jay Okocha's nationality (8)
4. The country to knock Australia out of France 98 (4)
5. 1 of 2 players to have played every NUFC game last year (8)
7. Current English Champions (7)
8. Nationality of Blackburn Rovers defender Lucas Neill (10)
12. National Soccer League Team Head Coach: ___ Corry (3)
15. Perth Glory's position on ladder after 26 rounds in 2001/02 (5)
16. Italian club with famous Red & Black Stripes: AC _____ (5)
19. If attacker is not on, then he's off ____ (4)
20. Mark Wilson's NSL goal tally until Season 2002/03 (3)

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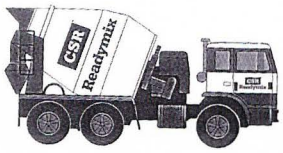

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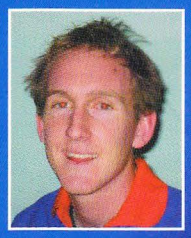
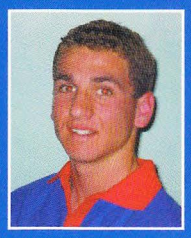


26 • Lee DAVELAAR
Position: Defender
Born: 6.5.83
Nickname: Davs
Favourite Overseas Player: Jay Jay Okocha

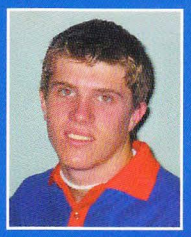
27 • Peter MCPHERSON
Position: Defender
Born: 18.6.84
Nickname: Macca
Favourite Overseas Player: David Beckham



28 • Jason COWBURN
Position: Midfielder
Born: 10.12.85
Nickname: Cowbie
Favourite Overseas Player: Jay Jay Okocha

29 • Obed MENSAH
Position: Striker
Born: 5.3.85
Nickname: Obe's
Favourite Overseas Player: Jimmy Floyd Hasslebank

30 • Joshua REES
Position: Defender
Born: 12.3.85
Nickname: Reecy
Favourite Overseas Player: Ronaldo



32 • Adam DAVIDSON
Position: Defender
Born: 24.2.86
Nickname: Davo
Favourite Overseas Player: Roberto Baggio

34 • Michael RYAN
Position: Striker
Born: 3.2.86
Nickname: Mickey
Favourite Overseas Player: El Hadji Diouf

35 • Thomas LIBBESSON
Position: Midfielder
Born: 20.8.84
Nickname: Tommy
Favourite Overseas Player: Christian Vieri

36 • Clayton POOLE
Position: Midfielder
Born: 4.9.83
Nickname: Pooley
Favourite Overseas Player: Harry Kewell

37 • Josh MITCHELL
Position: Midfielder
Born: 8.6.84
Nickname: Mitchy
Favourite Overseas Player: Roy Keane

38 • Scott MCPHERSON
Position: Midfielder
Born: 18.6.84
Nickname: Macca
Favourite Overseas Player: Alvaro Recoba

39 • Nigel BOOGAARD
Position: Defender
Born: 14.8.86
Nickname: Boogs
Favourite Overseas Player:

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40 • Mitchell O'BRIEN
Position: Goalkeeper
Born: 10.12.84
Nickname: Oby
Favourite Overseas Player: Oliver Kahn

41 • Peter FALLA
Position: Midfielder
Born: 5.9.84
Nickname: Pablo
Favourite Overseas Player: Francesco Totti

43 • Matthew WILKINSON
Position: Midfielder
Born: 28.2.84
Nickname: Wilko
Favourite Overseas Player: Pablo Aimar

43 • Petros GALANIS
Position: Striker
Born: 30.8.85
Nickname: Flash
Favourite Overseas Player: Ronaldo

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NO.	NAME	POSITION
26	Lee DAVELAAR	Defender
27	Peter MCPHERSON	Defender
28	Jason COWBURN	Midfield
29	Obed MENSAH	Striker
30	Joshua REES	Defender
31	Daniel RUFO	Defender
32	Adam DAVIDSON	Defender
33	Mitchell WALLACE	Striker
34	Michael RYAN	Striker
35	Thomas LIBBESSON	Midfield
36	Clayton POOLE	Striker
37	Josh MITCHELL	Midfield
38	Scott MCPHERSON	Midfield
39	Nigel BOOGAARD	Defender
40	Mitchell O'BRIEN	Goalkeeper
41	Peter FALLA	Midfield
43	Matthew WILKINSON	Midfield
44	Petros GALANIS	Striker
	David LOWE	Coach

EDGEWORTH EAGLES		
NO.	NAME	POSITION
1	Dean CONWAY	Goalkeeper
2	Glen COOPER	Defender
3	James KEMP	Defender
4	Robert JOVANOVSKI	Defender
5	Wayne BAILEY	Midfield
6	Adam SKELLY	Defender
7	Kurt O'BRIEN	Midfield
8	Dillon OATES	Striker
9	Peter JUCHNIEWICZ	Striker
10	Michael WILLIAMS	Midfield
11	David FRANZE	Striker
12	Josh HANNAH	Midfield
13	Josh SPARKES	Midfield
	Robert VIRGILI	Coach

Matchday Crossword answers for page 18

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NATIONAL YOUTH		
RD	DAY	DATE
1	TBA	TBA
2	Sunday	29/09/
3	Friday	04/10/
4	Sunday	13/10/
5	Friday	18/10/
6	Sunday	27/10/
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19	Friday	24/01/
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Striker
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Midfield
Striker
Midfield
Midfield
Coach

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NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE SEASON 2002/2003 DRAW

RD	DAY	DATE	MATCH	VENUE	KICK-OFF	RESULTS
1	TBA	TBA	NU v ACTAS	TBA	TBA	
2	Sunday	29/09/2002	Syndey United v NU	Sydney United Sports Centre	12.30pm	
3	Friday	04/10/2002	NU v Northern Spirit	EnergyAustralia Stadium	5.15pm	
4	Sunday	13/10/2002	Marconi Stallions Colts v NU	Marconi Stadium	5.00pm	
5	Friday	18/10/2002	NU v Wollongong Wolves	EnergyAustralia Stadium	5.15pm	
6	Sunday	27/10/2002	Olympic Sharks v NU	Wentworth Park	3.00pm	
7			Bye			
8	Saturday	09/11/2002	AIS v NU	AIS Soccer Field	7.00pm	
9	Friday	15/11/2002	NU v Marconi Stallions	EnergyAustralia Stadium	5.15pm	
10	Sunday	24/11/2002	Parramatta Power v NU	Parramatta Stadium	4.10pm	
11	Friday	29/11/2002	NU v QAS	EnergyAustralia Stadium	5.15pm	
12	Friday	06/12/2002	Canberra Deakin v NU	Hawker Oval	5.00pm	
13			Bye			
14	Friday	20/12/2002	NU v Sudney United	EnergyAustralia Stadium	5.15pm	
15	Friday	27/12/2002	ACTAS v NU	Hawker Oval	5.00pm	
16	Friday	03/01/2003	Northern Spirit v NU	North Sydney Oval	5.00pm	
17	Friday	10/01/2003	NU v Marconi Stallions Colts	EnergyAustralia Stadium	5.15pm	
18	Sunday	19/01/2003	Wollongong Wolves v NU	WIN Stadium	4.00pm	
19	Friday	24/01/2003	NU v Olympic Sharks	EnergyAustralia Stadium	5.15pm	
20			Bye			
21	Friday	07/02/2003	NU v AIS	EnergyAustralia Stadium	5.15pm	
22	Sunday	16/02/2003	Marconi Stallions v NU	Marconi Stadium	5.00pm	
23	Friday	21/02/2003	NU v Parramatta Power	EnergyAustralia Stadium	5.15pm	
24	Saturday	01/03/2002	QAS v NU	Ballymore Stadium	4.35pm	
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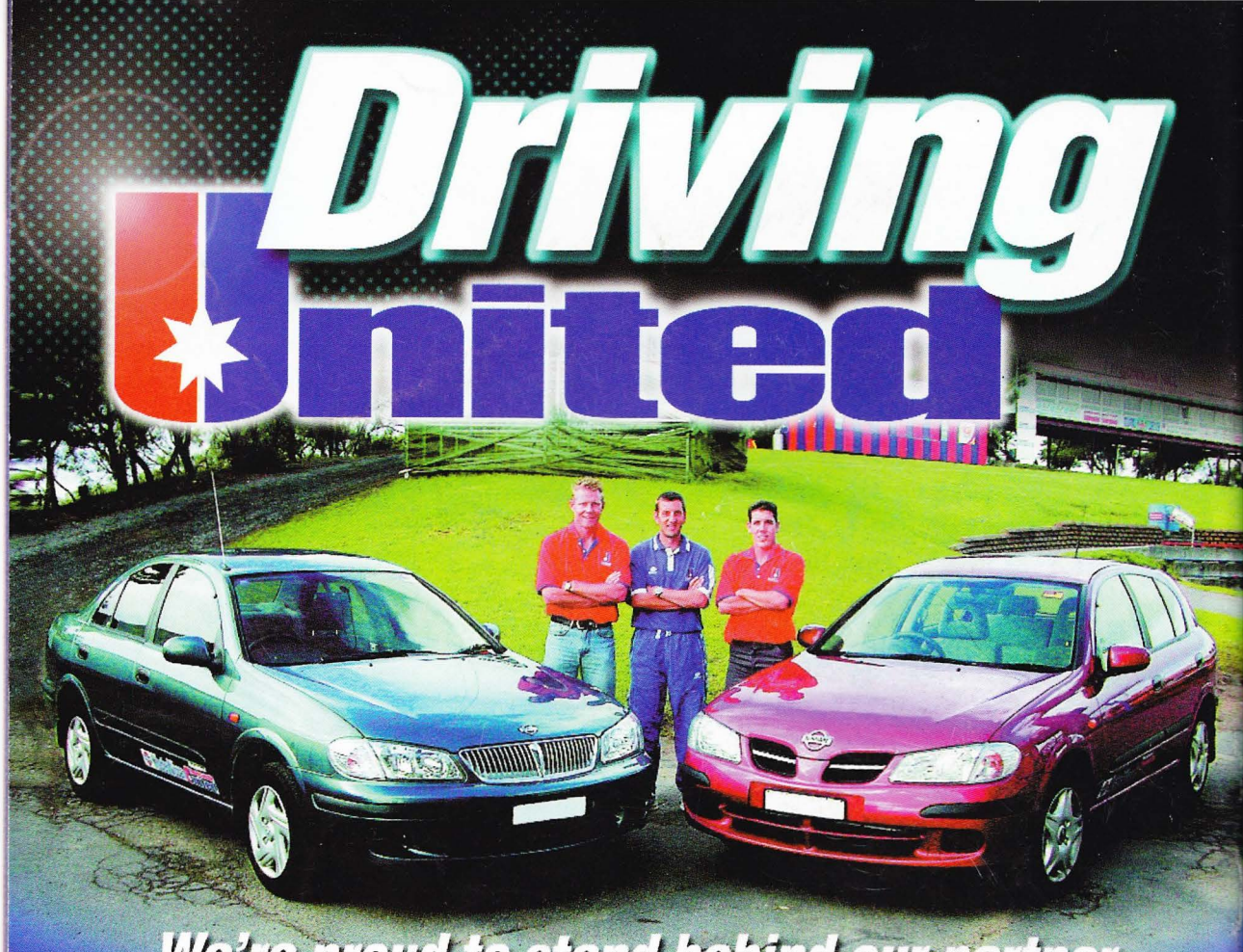

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